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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1918.

NORWAY

Mrs. John Shepard of Auburn was a week and guest of her daughter, Mrs. Alma Packard.

Edward L. Barwell was in Lewiston for the day, Saturday.

Fred H. Brown left for New York, Sunday night on a business trip.

Miss Kilbuck, who has been at Truett's hospital, nursing, since Jan. 1st, returned to her home in Lewiston, Saturday.

Miss Peterson, who is caring for Frank T. Pike, at the hospital, will remain a while longer. Dr. Truett is able to be down stairs each day.

Mrs. Sofia Lapham spent the week end in Lewiston with friends.

Mrs. Henry Russell has gone to Bath, where Mr. Russell has taken apartments for light housekeeping.

Arthur Buck will represent the Posena Grange and Mrs. Adelaide Young, Norway Grange, at the Lecturers' Conference at Augusta, Feb. 6-7.

Mrs. Buck will accompany her husband and be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Roberts, while in Augusta.

William Richardson went to Mechanic Falls, Friday, and will visit friends there and at Lewiston, going on to Presport to visit his grandfather, E. T. Merrill.

Mrs. George Danham was at her brother's, Adna A. Keene's, Saturday, from West Paris.

The Bethel Reading Club will resume their meetings Thursday afternoon, meeting with Mrs. Elizabeth Andrews at her home on Main street. Current events will be discussed by the members.

Thursday evening a covered dish supper will be served in the Methodist church vestry to the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and invited guests. An entertainment will follow in charge of Mrs. H. L. Nichols, to which the public are invited.

The opening of the Sunshine bags will take place in substitution of the annual thank offering. A silver collection will be taken from those not having the bags. The cream will be on sale. The Ladies' Aid will hold a business meeting in the afternoon. Mrs. Lucile E. Merrill has been appointed to look after the garments to be made for the war orphans in France, and Miss Helen Pike will prepare the missionary basket for the coming year.

The engagement is announced of G. Winifred McKay of Norway and Miss Marie Reimann, of Farmington. Mr. McKay is employed by the Maine Tel. & Tel. Co. at Farmington.

Norway High and West Paris High were the contestants in basketball, Friday night at the Opera House, both the first and second teams trying out conclusions. The Norway boys won both games, the score standing 30 to 18 for the first team, and 30 to 5 for the second team.

With at least four feet of snow on the ground on the hill, there was not much chance of Sunday's racing being the grand day. Although the sun did not shine all day, it rather looks as though winter is here to stay a while longer. The oldest inhabitants have been making their first acquaintance with this kind of a winter, with a long succession of snow storms. It is believed that cold enough Friday morning, in the village, and when the stage driver arrived from across country he reported it 25 below at Webster's Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Leon Curtis were given a pleasant surprise party Wednesday evening, at their home on Danforth street, the occasion being in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary. In the party were Mr. and Mrs. Herman L. Barlett, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brett, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, and Miss Susan Thibodeau. They "did the affair up town" carrying the cream and cake with them, and presented Mr. and Mrs. Curtis with a set glass cruet and sugar. Auction bridge was enjoyed, and the evening passed most happily.

THE LUMBER MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF BOSTON, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate, \$1,000,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, \$1,000,000.00

Cash in Office and Bank, \$1,000,000.00

Agents' Balances, \$1,000,000.00

Interest, \$1,000,000.00

All other Assets, \$1,000,000.00

Gross Assets, \$1,000,000.00

Deduct Items not admitted, \$1,000,000.00

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THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

WHEN WASHING DISHES IS EASY
Methods That Mean Comfort and Speed in This Three-Times-a-Day Task

If housewives would have the necessary utensils and materials and proceed in a methodical and scientific manner, dishwashing would take less time and energy. Five dollars will more than secure all you need except a wheel tray. This, like soft water, may be considered a luxury.

We have all washed dishes in hard water and know the disaster to our hands, our dishes and our dispositions. If you are not so happy as to have a cistern with soft water, perhaps you can secure a barrel or two to place under the eaves' trough. Besides rain water you will need a soap not too strongly alkali and a can of any one of the many brands of cleansers.

As to utensils, when there are many dishes to be done, as on the average farm, you can hardly manage with less than two seven-quart pans, one for washing and the other for draining. These may be either heavy galvanized tin or enamel ware. The tin costs less and with good care lasts as long since enamel ware is apt to become nicked and chip off. A wire draining basket with legs is advisable since it allows the dishes to be scalded and the water to drain off thus making the wiping process either entirely unnecessary or easy. Other items that mean ease and speed are: a dish mop or a soft dishcloth, pot-scraper, small brush for glass or any dishes with angles or corners hard to get at, bottle brushes, a plentiful supply of soft clean dish towels for wiping such dishes as cannot be dried in the draining pan.

Dishwashing may be divided into three distinct steps: gathering up, washing and putting away the dishes. Begin by taking the food off the table and putting it away in clean dishes. Gather up all the knives, forks and spoons and put them together in orderly array on a tray.

Place the tray on the table where the dishes are to be washed. Then gather the glasses, emptying and piling them in a group by themselves on the table. Do the same with the cups. Scrub all food off the plates, saucers and other dishes and if greasy, wipe with a discarded bread crust or piece of soft paper.

Scrape the crumbs off the table and put the dining room in order. The pots and pans should have been filled with water when the food was taken out of them before the meal.

Let us hope your table is large enough and of proper height for comfort. It is not often one sees a workable sufficiently large for the needs of a farm kitchen. If possible, for the sake of cleanliness and utility, this table should be covered with zinc. It should also be solid on the floor. A discarded extension table wobbling on uncertain legs is an annoyance. Many a housewife prefers her workable away from the wall so that she may work around it.

A right-handed person works best from right to left, having the dishes to be washed on the right and the draining pan on the left of the dishpan. One can readily see that in working from the other direction there is lost motion and energy due to the fact that one is obliged either to reach across the dishpan each time a dish is put in the draining pan or else each article must be handled twice.

DOCTOR URGED AN OPERATION

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Baltimore, Md.—"Nearly four years I suffered from organic troubles, nervousness and headaches and every month would have to stay in bed most of the time. Treatments would relieve me for a time but my doctor was always urging me to have an operation. My sister asked me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound before consenting to an operation. I took five bottles of it and it has completely cured me and my work is a pleasure. I tell my friends who have any trouble of this kind what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me."—MILLIE H. BARRINGTON, 809 Calverton Rd., Baltimore, Md.

It is only natural for any woman to dread the thought of an operation. So many women have been restored to health by this famous remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, after an operation has been advised that it will pay any woman who suffers from such ailments to consider trying it before consenting to such a trying ordeal.

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LUCKY STRIKE CIGARETTE

YOU'LL enjoy this real Burley cigarette. It's full of flavor—just as good as a pipe.

IT'S TOASTED

The Burley tobacco is toasted; makes the taste delicious. You know how toasting improves the flavor of bread. And it's the same with tobacco exactly.



Guaranteed by The American Tobacco Co.

I have tried the experiment several times under the same conditions and in working from right to left several minutes are saved each time. In a task performed over a thousand times a year, even a saving each time of two minutes is well worth the housewife's consideration.

Now the dishes are all gathered up and assembled into groups at the right of our dishpan which is half full of hot soft water. In this we make a weak soda.

Wash the glasses first, then the dishes and lastly the knives, forks and spoons, stacking them in the wire basket in the draining pan so that the part of the dish used for the food will be entirely rinsed. When the basket is full pour over them the kettle of very hot water. It is surprising how quickly and easily the wiping is done.

As soon as one panful has been wiped, the rinsing water may be heated while the next panful is being washed. This economizes water which is sometimes a luxury on the farm.

Putting away the dishes as soon as one panful has been wiped is the orderly way as the table is then clear when wiping is finished.

The pots and pans are washed last, scoured, rinsed and wiped as carefully as the dishes. Why should a frying pan be left with a line of grease across the center of it, or a saucepan with the remnants of oatmeal on it?

Care and cleanliness of the dish towels, cloths and brushes are necessary. Nothing can be more unsanitary or unsightly than sour or dirty dish towels or cloths. They should be occasionally boiled up in water with washing soda to keep them sweet and clean. They should always be out in the air and sun—not tucked away out of sight.

The wheel tray is a great help in other household tasks as well as in dishwashing. It may be loaded with the dirty dishes at the table, thus removing trips to and from the draining room table. Dishes may also be placed on it as they are wiped and taken to the cupboard in one trip. The wagon may be purchased at any hardware store for seven dollars and up.

If some one in the family can use tools, a wheel tray can be made at home.

FLIERS AT THE FRONT ARE BADLY HANDICAPPED

Hardly a day passes but there is some fresh illustration of the inability on the part of governments to buy with money anything essential for war preparation. We are now discovering that there is not linen enough in the world to cover the aeroplanes that the allies are producing. The English government has just decided that at least 10,000 acres of English soil must be devoted to the production of flax, instead

of food. That government is making terms with the farmers, which will lead to the planting of that crop.

The illustrations are endless of the fact that there are not labor and materials enough to produce the things that the people want and the things that the government wants. There are two ways of helping solve the problem. One is to speed up production and industry. The other is to cut down unnecessary consumption. By the latter method every one can put himself in an effective way in a front trench. Every one can make sacrifices that will be reflected in a quicker and better equipment of armies. The progress that can be made by speeding up production can be exceeded many fold by the effect which can be produced by a whole nation making up its mind really to help win the war. The difficulties of equipping the army would be easily cut in half if every individual in this country would recognize his responsibility in helping to equip the army, his responsibility to get on without demanding new things he can get on without, and by so doing leave a greater amount of labor and material to produce the things the government must have.

Every yard of linen that is bought from to-day on puts the buyer in direct competition with the Aeroplanes Board in equipping the fleet of aeroplanes which we hope to put over the German lines. That should be very plain to every one when it is known that the need of linen for aeroplanes production exceeds the total stock there is in the world. But the same rule applies in almost every direction that we turn.

There can be only two reasons why men should not see in their personal expenditures their individual responsibility for equipping the army. One is a belief that a fully equipped American army is not going to be necessary; that the war either will be won by our allies, or it has already been won by the exhaustion of our enemies. There is little in the situation upon which to base such a belief. The other reason must be that people believe that there are labor and materials enough to produce everything that they want for their individual uses and everything that the government must have. Absolute blindness to what the total is when you add two and two is the only excuse there can be for believing there are labor and materials enough for the individual comforts and military needs of the country. The man who is not prepared to examine to-day either believes there is no necessity for military preparedness or he will not look in the face the plain facts in regard to industrial capacity. The government has provided the easiest possible road for the individual to turn his personal sacrifice into patriotic aid—save and buy War Savings Stamps.

By Frank A. Vanderlip

CANTON

Mrs. Frank W. Morse has returned home from a hospital in Boston, where she has been for the past month. The next Universalist Circle will be held with Mrs. Elmer E. Westgate of Spring street.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Walker and children attended the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Edith E. Bubier, at Auburn, Wednesday.

Donald B. Partridge of Norway was in town, Friday, calling on friends. Friday evening he attended the alumni banquet of Bates College at Lewiston.

Mrs. Alfred Corlies is in Whitman, Mass., called there by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Copeland.

Miss Marguerite Hollis is recovering from her recent illness.

Joseph L. Gammon has been quite ill and threatened with pneumonia.

Mrs. Wallace Rose and Mrs. John N. Foye have been on a visit to Lewiston. M. E. Huxley is confined to his home by illness.

Eldon Adkins has been drawn as traverse juror to attend the S. J. Court at South Paris.

Mrs. Cora B. Fuller entertained the Pine Tree Club, Saturday afternoon, and the following program was enjoyed: Song, "God Bless Our Men," to the tune of America, by all; "Training for Citizenship," was in charge of Miss Frances Abbott; "The discovery of Domestic Science," Mrs. W. A. Lucas; Reading, Miss Elva Fuller; Poem, Mrs. Alice N. Bodwell; Reading, "The Country, The Devil's Political Masterpiece," Mrs. Cora Fuller; Current Events, Two new members were added to the club. Refreshments were served and Victrola music enjoyed.

John Dresser, who left Canton for Fulton, New York, the 8th of January, writes that every day has been a stormy one since he left Maine.

Ellen Hodge is at Dixfield where she is employed in the clothing factory.

Mrs. Joshua McKay, who has been very ill, is somewhat improved.

Miss Abbie C. Bicknell is visiting relatives in Lewiston.

Mrs. S. B. Ellis and son, Herschel, are on the sick list.

W. R. Ingersoll, A. H. Adams and Geo. Rose have had telephones installed in their residences.

Swasey Wadlin has enlisted in the Coast Patrol in the Bar Harbor district. He has successfully passed the examination for quartermaster. He has been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Wadlin.

Miss Nellie Nichols has accepted the position of preceptress at Levitt Institute and will sever her connection with the Canton schools.

No meeting was held at the Universalist church, Sunday.

Mrs. Flora Advertiser of Clinton, Mass., is in poor health. She is the mother of E. E. Westgate of Canton, where she has frequently visited.

The annual district meeting of Republicans will be held at Livermore Falls this year.

Mrs. Lucretia Maxim has gone to Livermore to visit her daughter, Mrs. Ellen Barker, and family.

Chas. Winslow has gone to Waterville to work.

A party of Boy Scouts, accompanied by Mr. Pope and the Assistant Scout Master, Ansel Ellis, camped Friday night at the Burgess cottage by the lake. A macaroni supper was enjoyed and a pleasant evening spent.

The Council of National Defense desires to inform the people of the country that abundant food is supplied to the soldiers and sailors in the camps and cantonments, and that the sending of food to these men by their friends and families is not in any respect necessary; that the aggregate quantity of food thus privately sent is enormous, and that much of it, having been conveyed long distances in heated express or mail cars, is more or less spoiled, and consequently injurious to the health of the men. Therefore, in the interest of the conservation of food, and also the health of the men, the Council of National Defense requests the public to discontinue the sending of food stuffs to the camps.

O. A. Ellis has been on a visit to relatives in Farmington.

Ralph Dyer of Newport was in town this week on business.

Joseph Stone and family, who were burned out recently, are occupying the Fisher home at Gilbertville.

G. W. Moore, who has been ill, is improving.

W. A. Lucas has been having a vacation from his duties as mail carrier on the R. F. D. route.

An interesting and profitable poultry institute was held at the Grange Hall, Wednesday, under the direction of H. M. Tucker, chief of the bureau of animal industry in the State. The speakers were: George V. Smith of Willington, Conn.; Miss Margaret Mahoney of Concord, Mass.; and Mrs. W. T. Cypell of Tupperham. There was an excellent attendance from Canton and surrounding towns.

Miss Ethel Russell of Auburn has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Russell, and family.

Adolf H. Adams, who submitted to an operation at his home, Friday morning, is getting along well. Miss Gladys

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Every day now prices are being made on clothing to be worn next Winter. We have seen some of these prices and they are certainly high. About every dollar you spend now for Winter Clothing will save you a dollar next Fall.

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BUY AN OVERCOAT
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NOW NOT TOMORROW

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SOUTH PARIS

RUBBERS

are sure to cost more very soon

We have a good stock now at the old prices. A good time to buy is now.

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MAINE

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STOPPING COLDS IN THE POULTRY YARD

By O. E. Conkey
Now is the time to watch for colds and roup in the flock. While not serious in themselves, colds in the flock worry the poultryman because they pave the way to roup and other fatal diseases.

When you discover the first appearance of a cold, act promptly, for colds are very contagious. They drag along for months and during their course greatly impair the usefulness of the affected birds. In winter the pullets contract colds very easily; the mature fowls, with higher vitality, having a much greater resistance to such ailments. A flock of young birds can be rendered entirely worthless as layers because colds may mean lost broods that they can never regain. Watch your pullets.

The first symptom of a common cold is sneezing at the nostrils, usually indicated by dirt collecting about the nose or by feathers or bits of straw sticking to the beak. Further examination usually shows that the nostrils are clogged. At first there is no odor to the head or breath, but unless the cold is relieved, the characteristic odor of roup soon follows. Frequent sneezing, watering of the eyes, watery droplets and the bird sneezes and breathes with difficulty. The cold has now become a case of dangerous Roup.

Colds do not usually trouble vigorous stock that has been properly housed and properly fed. Therefore colds in a flock indicate lack of vitality and good feed—due probably to poor feeding and care or bad housing conditions. Low vitality may be due to poorly mated or weak breeding stock, which means weak chicks. It may be due to poor handling of chicks during the critical first few weeks—the time when their vital organs are forming. Crowding chicks, unsanitary conditions or poor feeding mean chicks that will contract colds during damp cold winter weather. Get out all weaknesses and keep up the standard of health in the flock and you'll have less trouble.

Keep your birds free from body lice, head lice and mites. These are blood suckers and strength sappers that lower the birds' vitality and open the way to colds and roup. Don't have lice infested birds. Use a good lice powder. Never crowd birds on the floor or on roosts and don't let growing birds crowd at night. Crowding means that your birds will get overheated and start sneezing. Their damp bodies are chilled by the cool morning air and a cold follows. Watch your birds after they are settled for the night. If they are crowding, make them spread out. If necessary, screen off the corners in the coop and reduce the flock to smaller units.

Drafty quarters, or houses without tight walls near where the birds roost, can readily cause colds. Lack of fresh air is equally dangerous, for poultry demand a great quantity of oxygen and there must be a constant flow of fresh air. Ventilation is well worth consideration for fresh air must be admitted so that the birds will never be subjected to a direct current of cool air at night.

First locate the cause and make sure to remove it. Otherwise you will get over and over again. Then examine the flock every day and promptly remove afflicted individuals to separate quarters for cures are quickly passed from one bird to another through breathing the same air or eating and drinking from the same receptacles. Give a good rasp powder in the drinking water to the sick and use the same article in the water for the general flock, using one-half strength, as a preventive and to avoid any contamination of the germs through the water supply. A good poultry tonic mixed with the feed will help keep up the vitality of your flock and make them more resistant to disease.

Give nourishing but not rich food. Give plenty green food. Don't overfeed. Keep the birds active, making them scratch for all grains in a clean straw litter. Clean the coops often and have everything sanitary. Use a good reliable disinfectant freely to kill any germs.

The average woman is willing to admit that any man is perfect who thinks she is perfect.

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U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

Federal Food Administrator Dr. Leon S. Merrill has been notified that the canned foods division of the Food Administration has secured a release from the tin plate conservation committee and that permits have been mailed to all canners allowing them to use an additional 25 per cent of their pack. This release has been granted as a result of their application to the canned foods division and Food Administrator Merrill has given authority of the canners in the State of Maine to start operations pending the arrival of the needed permits from Washington.

All canners of tomatoes, corn, beans, peas, salines or sardines, not already licensed as such, whose gross production is more than five hundred (500) cases per annum, (except home canners and "canned boys" and girls' canning clubs recognized by the Department of Agriculture of the several States), are required to procure a license by Feb. 15, 1918.

This change and superseded the exemption contained in the proclamation of October 3, 1917. Canners and packers of tomato soup, tomato catsup and tomato products and manufacturers of elementary pastes must also procure a license, application to be made on separate forms which may be secured from the License Division in request.

Another important announcement made by the Federal Food Administrator is that all wheat and rye millers (regardless of capacity) not already licensed as millers, are required to procure a license as such by February 15, 1918. Those already licensed for the storage of wheat or rye may have their existing licenses added to their present license. They should communicate at once with the License Division of the Food Administration, Washington, D. C., entering their license for the

addition of their milling activities, and stating their rated capacity in barrels, per day of 24 hours.

"Responsibility rests upon the farmer if the cause is to be won," says Herbert Hoover in a message received by Dr. Leon S. Merrill, the Federal Food Administrator for Maine.

"While necessarily the determination of policy on production is in the hands of the Department of Agriculture and its agencies, I feel that it is a prime duty of the Food Administration to inform the imagination of the farmers to the national necessity," says Mr. Hoover. "The particular crop that the farmer raises is of secondary importance to the Food Administration, as compared to production so long as it yields an increase in human and animal food. Practically any crop of this character will assist in reducing the world shortage. The main thing is to get planting and breeding on a larger scale than hitherto. What we want to instill into the farmer's mind is that the responsibility rests upon him if this cause is to be won."

"I know his feeling about labor is discouraging but I still believe a super effort by our farmers will get the greater crop planted. Given that it is planted, we can find a solution to its harvest somewhere, if we have to turn our town population into the fields. We also need this year to further stimulate the planting of gardens on all sides and everywhere. All producers have enjoyed good prices for products and this background for production could not be better."

"In any event, any device for stimulating production must be implemented and every energy we can use on our side can put into it, will contribute greatly to success."

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EXAMINATION OF REGISTRANTS

Physical examination of registrants under the selective draft has been going on rapidly at the court house at South Paris during the week. With two physicians at work, it has been possible since Monday to go through a list of thirty each day.

Results of the week's examinations are as follows:

ACCEPTED

Charles W. Hopkins, Oxford.
William B. Clark, East Waterford.
William H. Snow, 24 Pine Street, Norway.
Philip V. Haskell, 45 Pleasant Street, Norway.
Earl M. Wood, Norway.
Benjamin B. Twitcheell, South Paris.
Joseph M. Eddy, West Sumner.
Francis X. Frechette, Norway.
Fred W. Glover, Oxford.
Adelmar B. Brown, Bethel.
Linwood M. Corbett, South Paris.
Merton R. Holt, Livermore Falls.
Rocco L. May, Bethel.
Alvin E. Chapman, North Bethel.
Lewis A. Martin, West Minot.
Joseph B. Mallett, 27 Archies St., Rumford.
Ralph L. Dean, West Paris.
George M. Lowe, Norway.
Percy Y. Fogg, 11 Summer Street, Norway.
Alfred Maddix, Bethel.
Lester E. Lane, Upton.
Harold L. Merrill, South Paris.
James L. Kay, Oxford.
Valentin Cerini, 465 High St., Rumford.
Harry M. Benson, Turner Center.
Bilas E. Keniston, R. F. D. 3, Bethel.
Gard W. Tweedle, Bethel.
John B. Brophy, Waterford.
Rodolph B. Walker, Oxford.
John M. Pike, Waterford.
Ben. Franklin Homer, Norway.
Clinton R. Andrews, North Lovell.
Fred J. Burns, South Paris.
Herbert A. Hich, 16 Pine St., Norway.
Ned Francis Truman, Norway.
Evers Elmer Thomas, South Paris.
Vernon L. McKay, South Paris.
George C. Mahon, South Paris.
William P. Kneeland, Bethel.
Frank O'Neill Robertson, Bethel.
Lewis W. Fogg, 11 Summer Street, Norway.
Jalidore D. Pineau, South Windham.
George L. Leach, Locke's Mills.
George F. Hudson, Bryant's Pond.
Albert R. Robinson, Oxford.
Dann Grover Brooks, Bethel.
John Wilson, South Paris.
George Mills, Bethel.
Richard Ellis, 17 Archies St., Rumford.
William Abraham Nainey, Oxford.
Elmer Ellsworth Saunders, Bethel, R. F. D. 3.
Irving Clyde Morey, Bethel, R. F. D. 3.
William Everett Warren, Bethel.
Harry Everett Cole, Locke's Mills.
Arthur Alton Walker, Oxford.
Albert V. McIntire, Bethel.
George McLain, Bethel, 58 Water St., Norway.
Edward Vebus, Oxford.
Albert A. Kimball, Harrison, R. F. D. 1.
Elmer W. Kimball, Locke's Mills.
William James Mackay, Bethel.
Blair A. Anderson, South Paris.
Harvey Breton, Oxford.
Parley Bernard Dunn, Bethel.
Herbert C. Mason, Locke's Mills.
Raymond Keene, Bethel.
Joseph Lawrence Perry, West Bethel.
Henry A. Anderson, West Paris.
William Jasper St. Clair, East Brownfield.
Norman Richardson, Hebron.
Harold E. Moore, Main St., Norway.
William Frederick Smith, W. Paris.
William Henry Harding, Norway.
Harry Franklin Carter, Wilson's Mills.
Joseph Arnold Hart, Bryant's Pond.
Forrest Burbank Conant, Hebron.
Owen Roselle Davis, Bryant's Pond.
John Hallow, South Paris.
Timothy Thomas Watson, Locke's Mills.
Ray Jeanne, South Paris.
Wendell Carlton Howe, South Paris.
Clayton E. Towne, Harrison, R. F. D. 1.
Henry Bradford Gleason, Sumner.
Fred Almore Pearson, Bethel.
Carroll Printest Buck, Bryant's Pond.
Theodore Elward, Bethel.
Willie Edwin Rowe, South Paris, R. F. D. 2.
Ernest Franklin Blaboe, Bethel.
Ernest Francis McIntire, Bethel.
Albion Loring McKee, North Waterford.
Herbert Willis Warren, Stowham.
Edward Parker Bailey, Bethel.
Roland Ellis Anale, Bethel.
Herman C. Cole, West Paris.
Arthur Lee Gammon, West St., Norway.
Elmer Angeline Pratt, Danforth St., Norway.
Governor Walter Hilliard Potadex, Norway.
Orville Richard Albert, 417 Cumberland St., Rumford.
Irvin Wilfred Aron, Bethel, N. H.
Harold Frank Bennett, North Newry.
Charles Marshall Andrews, Bryant's Pond.
Lloyd Elkie Lorton, Bethel.
Ralph Garold Martin, West Minot.
Charles Lament Buck, Norway, R. F. D. 1.
Lewis Francis Holden, Norway.
Howard Foster, Main St., Norway.
George Edward Martin, South Paris, R. F. D. 1.
Lester Wallace Merrill, Bethel.
Lauris J. White, 45 River St., Rumford.
John M. Harrington, Bethel, R. F. D. 3.
Robert R. Robbins, R. F. D. 3, West Paris.
Edward L. Good, Bethel.
Tom Wilson, Hebron, Bethel.
William R. Jordan, Oxford.
Isaac M. Caswell, South Paris.
Lewis Haskell, William St., Norway.
Elmer A. Wang, Bryant's Pond.
Charles E. Thompson, Upton.
Charles K. Ripley, West Paris.
Earl D. Edwards, Bethel.
Harry James Blalock, Bryant's Pond.
William F. King, Crystal, N. H.
John Philbrick Record, Bethel.
Frank Wallace Alwood, Bethel.
Clayton Alvin Pike, Waterford.
John Willie Merrill, 45 Main St., Norway.
Harold Davis Stevens, South Paris.
Samuel Lincoln Chamberlain, South Waterford.

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Ralph Weldon Cushing, Bethel.
Charles Lindall Kay, Oxford.
James Albert Spianey, North Bethel.

HELP SECURE FIREWOOD

In an effort to assist in relieving the fuel shortage, the Forest Service has assigned 10 of its experts to different sections of the country to advise with the State and local fuel administrators in regard to increasing the use of wood as a fuel. They will at the same time demonstrate, so far as possible, to farmers and other owners of woodlands methods of cutting timber by which suitable material can be removed for firewood to the advantage of the remaining timber. Plans for utilizing the supply of cordwood and wood waste in the neighborhood of towns and cities or from near-by woodworking plants will be worked out by the experts, who will also be able to give information regarding the fuel value of the different kinds of wood available. It is believed by the Forest Service that, with a knowledge of methods of lumbering and of utilizing woods products, the experts will be able to assist materially in securing the needed supplies of fuel. Very often, they point out, cordwood can be brought down the many rivers of the country on steamboats or barges. In the suburbs of many cities there are extensive stands of second growth timber which could supply large amounts of firewood. Municipal wood yards can doubtless be advantageously established at many points. Join the "Out-a-cord" Movement. Through the county agents of the States Relations Service the farmers will be urged to join the "Out-a-cord" movement while other work is slack. It is pointed out that wood cut now and not burned this season will be well seasoned and ready for use next winter. Even in States having plenty of coal, like Pennsylvania, large amounts can be released for use elsewhere if the available wood is used instead. Close cooperation between the Forest Service, the Fuel Administration, the State foresters, the county agents, and the other interested parties will, it is expected, result in increasing the amount of wood burned and consequently releasing the equivalent in coal. Farmers and other timber owners can at the same time get their woods in good shape by disposing of the defective and low-grade material.

WEST BETHEL

Sarah W. Brown died Jan. 31, aged 69 years. She was the daughter of Jacob and Naomi Wheeler Grover. She was united in marriage to Frank Brown of East Bethel in 1895, he having passed away some time ago. Mrs. Brown is survived by one brother, Llewellyn Grover, and two sisters, Mrs. Elsie Coffin and Miss Octavia Grover, all of West Bethel. The funeral was held from her home Saturday at 1:30 p. m. Interment was in the family lot in the Flat cemetery.

WEST PERU

Mrs. B. C. Putnam remains very low. Linus Libby has been quite ill with the measles for a week past. G. B. Gordon and family are all sick with the measles. Mrs. L. K. Lovejoy is now able to call on her old friends after being a "shut in" for nearly all winter. Mrs. Collie Young of Beadfield is helping care for the sick at G. B. Gordon's. Mrs. Almada Richardson is in poor health.

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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Mrs. Fred Philbrook is spending several days in Portland.

Miss Lena Durkes has gone to Auburn, where she has employment.

Mr. H. C. Rowe was a business visitor in Berlin, N. H., the first of the week.

Mrs. George Davis of Milton was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Edmund Merrill, last week.

Rev. H. S. Trueman went to Oakland last Thursday to attend the funeral of a former parishioner.

Mrs. Percy Andrews accompanied Walter Tamm to Portland last week for another operation on his arm.

Mr. Ezra Cross of Berlin, N. H., was the guest of his sisters, Mrs. Abbie Dean and Miss Annie Cross, one day last week.

Mrs. W. F. Bragg, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Roscoe Andrews, returned to her home in Whitinsville, Mass., Saturday.

Mr. Archie Buck, who has been employed at the Bath Iron Works, is home on an enforced vacation as the result of a slight injury to his hand.

Rev. Mr. Little was called to West Bethel, Monday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Lillian Lord, a former resident of West Bethel, who leaves one brother and a sister, both absent, and a daughter who lives in Portland.

The worst cold spell of the year struck Bethel Monday night and Tuesday with the thermometer between 20 and 30 degrees below zero and the wind blowing a gale. All trains were delayed and the Rural Delivery Carriers did not attempt to make their routes.

Mr. Elmer Bean went to West Paris the first of the week to visit friends.

Miss Mona Martyn was in Berlin, N. H., the first of the week.

Mr. Ernest Blaboe of Errol, N. H., is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Frost.

Mr. O. A. Buck returned home from Portland, Sunday, where he had been for treatment.

Dr. R. R. Tibbitts of Kittery Point, Me., spent the week end with his brother, Mr. Fred A. Tibbitts.

Mrs. W. H. Young will entertain the Weat Club at her home on Mechanic street, Thursday evening, Feb. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barker are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Albert Burbank, born Monday, Feb. 4.

Mr. Albert Burke, who has been employed for Mr. P. C. Thurston at Roxbury the past few weeks, returned home Saturday.

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The Plattsbury Manual advises the daily use of Foot-Ease in the shoes. There is nothing so good for the quick relief of Corns, Bunions, Chilblains, Blisters, Sore Spots or Calluses as this old, standard remedy. Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder to shake into the shoes. Sold everywhere. Don't accept any substitute.—Adv. 27-41

Mrs. J. W. Gribbin and Mrs. Coffin went to Portland, Tuesday.

Herbert Mason from East Bridge, water was in this place Monday, also Mrs. Lulu Hamilton and Mrs. Ella Matherson from East Deering to attend the funeral of Mrs. Lilla Lord.

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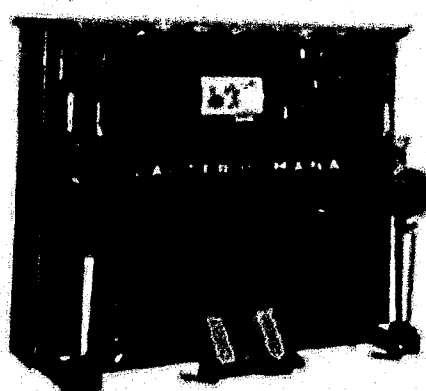
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RUMFORD

Principal L. G. Paine High school has received Major Lucian W. Blaine of \$25 for prize, prize speaking contest, and is stationed at Bath. Hon. Walter Pottungill of the Grand Lodge of M., will go to Limestone to take part in dedicating some Hall in that place. Mrs. Luther Wyman, of age, has knit for the pair of socks, one pair made five comfort pillow. William Gaudin of V. confined to his home by a leg, having the mill broken while at his international mill. Miss Margaret Atwater as bookkeeper in the Am. Company office. Miss Mabel Abbott Mass., is clerking in a and staying with her sister Mann. James Conway has gone work in the ship yard. Miss Amelia Glenfield, Walham, Mass., where, tained employment. William LaFleur, The James Darnall and John hie have come to Bath. The young child of Charles Cary is ill with the McCarty Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. John L. eeling congratulations of a niece and one-half p mother and child are d. The men of St. Barnabas engaged Mr. Owen P. Sn to serve one of his famo pers at the church on T ing of this week. The s of oyster stew, pickl pastry and coffee. Everett Shea, the nio son of Mr. and Mrs. Jaz has been attending Sh College in Portland since has been asked to accep of instructor in bookke college to succeed the h retires in March. Mr. Sh ate of Rumford High sc 1918.

William H. Kenney and I. Cox, both of Rumford, last week at the Episco Penobscot street by Rev. ren. C. H. Britton has tak for the Republic trucks. At a meeting of Osgood Corps the following offi stilled for the coming y Endorn Ames; B. V. P. J. namins; J. V. P. Joann Chaplain, Lucia Smith Christine Peterson; Assis for, Clara Wilfrid Guard, r clerk; Assistant Guard, V. Patriotic Instructor, Da Press Correspondent, El color Bearer, J. Josephine or Bearer, L. Leona Gonyar, s, 3, Beadie Reed; Musio Smith, Rebecca Jaroslav stallion officer, and preso Jennie Dowling in beha a Past President's badge. In behalf of the Corps p Dowling with two piec The Treasurer and Colo be installed later.

Ralph Osborne, who h played at the Oxford mil for the past year, has ac sation in New Hampshire, his family have left for Mr. and Mrs. Leopold U ington, Mass., are gues in town. Daniel Rowe has enliste ation Corps. He was forme by the Continental Paper The marriage of Miss J the Virginia District and Jena took place last wee Austin R. Richardson, h working as driver on at cal exprom teams.

The officers of St. Marg of St. Barnabas church at the ensuing year are: Pre Claude Ollpatrick; Vlee Mrs. William Binclair, M Secretary, Mrs. Walter R ner, Mrs. P. E. Oding. Friends of Felix Leadry hear of his recent illnes, a speedy recovery.

A dancing school is bei in McManis Hall each and Friday evening. Rose Habington of Holyro visiting Mrs. E. J. Harpe of Miss Laundry of Biddefo

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RUMFORD

Principal L. G. Paine of the Rumford High school has received a check from Major Lucian W. Blanchard of this town of \$25 for prizes in the annual prize speaking contest. Major Blanchard is stationed at Battle Creek, Mich.

Hon. Waldo Pottenger, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, F. & A. M., will go to Limestone this week to take part in dedicating the new Masonic Hall in that place.

Mrs. Luther Wyman, who is 81 years of age, has knit for the Red Cross 18 pairs of socks, one pair of wristers and made five comfort pillows.

William Gaudin of Waldo street is confined to his home by the fracture of a leg, having the misfortune to get it broken while at his work in the International mill.

Miss Margaret Atwater is employed as bookkeeper in the American Express Company office.

Miss Mabel Abbott from Palmer, Mass., is clerking in Mann's Bakery, and staying with her sister, Mrs. James Mann.

James Conway has gone to Bath to work in the ship yard there.

Miss Amelia Glenfield has gone to Waltham, Mass., where she has obtained employment.

William LaPlour, Thomas Gauthier, James Durnand and John and Alice LaPlour have gone to Bath to work.

The young child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cary is ill with pneumonia at the McCarty Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harris are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a nine and one-half pound son. Both mother and child are doing well.

The men of St. Barnabas church have engaged Mr. Owen P. Smith of Mexico to serve one of his famous oyster suppers at the church on Thursday evening of this week. The menu will consist of oyster stew, pickles, all kinds of pastry and coffee.

Everett Shen, the nineteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Shen, who has been attending Shaw's Business College in Portland since last October, has been asked to accept the position of instructor in bookkeeping at the college to succeed the instructor who retired in March. Mr. Shen is a graduate of Rumford High school, class of 1916.

William H. Kenney and Mrs. Blanche I. Cox, both of Rumford, were married last week at the Episcopal rectory on Penobscot street by Rev. John S. Warren.

C. H. Britton has taken the agency for the Republic trucks.

At a meeting of Osgood Eaton Relief Corps the following officers were installed for the coming year: President, Edna Ames; S. V. P., Annie McMenamin; J. V. P., Joanna Schouaer; Chaplain, Lucia Smith; Conductor, Christine Peterson; Assistant Conductor, Clara Wolff; Guard, Margaret Rederick; Assistant Guard, Verna Readdy; Patriotic Instructor, Daisy Fortier; Press Correspondent, Emma Smith; Color Bearer, J. Josephine Landry; Color Bearer, L. Leona Gonyea; Color Bearer, S. Beadie Reed; Musician, Mildred Smith. Rebecca Jarvelson was the installing officer, and presented to Mrs. Jennie Dowling in behalf of the Corps, a Past President's badge. Lucia Smith in behalf of the Corps presented Mrs. Dowling with two pieces of cut glass. The Treasurer and Color Bearer will be installed later.

Ralph Osborne, who has been employed at the Oxford mill as electrician for the past year, has accepted a position in New Hampshire, and he and his family have left for that State.

Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Harris of Arlington, Mass., are guests of relatives in town.

Daniel Rowe has enlisted in the Aviation Corps. He was formerly employed by the Continental Paper Bag Co.

The marriage of Miss Mae Poor of the Virginia District and Mr. Harry Jones took place last week.

Austin R. Richardson of Rockland is working as driver on one of the local express teams.

The officers of St. Margaret's Guild of St. Barnabas church are elected for the ensuing year are: President, Mrs. Claude Gilpatrick; Vice Presidents, Mrs. William Binclair, Mrs. Sorenson; Secretary, Mrs. Walter Raynes; Treasurer, Mrs. F. E. Oding.

Friends of Felix Landry are sorry to hear of his recent illness, and hope for a speedy recovery.

A dancing school is being conducted in McMenamin Hall each Wednesday and Friday evening.

Reese Babineux of Holyoke, Mass., is the ram of the Universalist church on Bay Valley Mrs. E. J. Harpe of Pine street. Miss Landry of Biddeford is a guest Food on Man and Animals.

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Kidney troubles are getting more common every day. Government health bureau figures say deaths from this cause are 72 per cent more than 20 years ago.

Anybody who suffers constant backache, who feels blue, nervous and irritable; who has dizzy spells, headache and urinary disorders should suspect kidney weakness. Overworked kidneys must have a rest. Take things easier; live more carefully. Take a good kidney remedy to build the kidneys up again.

But be sure to get Doan's Kidney Pills—the oldest, the most widely used, the best recommended of all kidney pills, now in use all over the civilized world. Don't experiment with your kidneys. Thousands have already tested Doan's. You have their experience to go by. Plenty of cases right here in Bethel. Here's one:

Mrs. Walter E. Bartlett, Chapman St., Bethel, says: "I gladly recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. I used this medicine some time ago and the results I received were in every way satisfactory. Since then, I have had no return of the trouble."

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at the LaPlour home on Erches street.

B. J. Harpe will soon move his family from Pine street to Knox street.

Reginald, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clough, who was so seriously hurt while sking a few weeks ago, has recovered sufficiently to return to his home from the McCarty Hospital.

Rumford leads in all other towns in Oxford County in the amount of War Savings Stamps purchased. In the schools, Pottenger school still leads with \$170.25. There are 18 War Savings Stamps certificates held by pupils and teachers of the school. Chisholm school now holds second place having \$125, with 20 certificates held by teachers and pupils; Virginia school has \$113.25 with 14 certificates; and Biddeford the smallest school in the village, has \$85.50 with 12 certificates. McDonald school which did not start selling until last week, has \$10 with 4 certificates.

The Rumford Driving Club held a special meet on Monday afternoon of this week, with an admission of 25 cents, the entire proceeds to be used in buying tobacco, cigarettes and other things that the boys of Company B want.

A box containing the following knitted goods has been sent in to Boston headquarters from the Rumford Red Cross about a week ago: 48 sweaters, 78 pairs of socks, 28 pairs of wristers, 9 scarfs, 4 helmets and 6 pairs of bed socks. The Chapter has just bought and installed three electric sewing machines for the use of its members in their rooms at the Institute.

Mrs. Emily J. Felt of Bryant's Pond, mother of Miss Lena and Mr. Archie Felt of Rumford, who has been very sick, having been threatened with pneumonia, is now improving, and able to sit up. Miss Felt spent several days with her mother last week, and also spent the week end with her this week. Miss Hazel Tufvesson supplied in the office of E. L. Lovejoy, during Miss Felt's absence.

Lester Elliott Webber, a former clerk in Fernald's Drug Store, who has now enlisted in the medical department, is now attached to the Medical Department Base Hospital at Camp Upton, N. I., was married last week to Miss Mary Cameron of Central Falls, R. I. At the conclusion of his furlough, Mr. Webber will return to his camp.

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The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church met with the Vice President, Mrs. I. E. Mills, Wednesday afternoon.

Guy Hodson is hauling birch to the pool mill for Y. A. Thurston.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Glover and children were guests Sunday of Mrs. Glover's parents, Sylvanus Learned and wife.

The selectmen were in session Saturday at their office.

Bedford Corey of Bangor was in town last week, sealing lumber for the American Realty Co.

Rev. J. N. Atwood preached an interesting sermon at the Congregational church, Sunday morning from the text found in Revelation 22-4.

Fred Grover and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. Grover's grandfather, Charles Philbrick, at Frye, Wednesday, Jan. 30.

Mrs. Sidney Abbott was called to Bethel, recently, by the illness of her niece, Miss Annie Frye.

The King's Daughters will meet with Mrs. William Mitchell, Thursday P. M., of this week.

The funeral of Frank Akers, who passed away Sunday evening, Jan. 27, took place at the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 30. The services were conducted by Rev. J. N. Atwood and the Knights of Pythias. The floral tributes were many and beautiful. Interment was in Woodlawn cemetery.

Mr. Wesley is hauling birch for Y. A. Thurston to the pool mill.

The King's Daughters have chosen the following committees for 1918: President, Mrs. C. A. Rand; Vice President, Mrs. Wirt Lovejoy; Secretary, Mrs. F. E. Leslie; Treasurer, Mrs. Y. A. Thurston; Entertainment Com., Mrs. Agnes Milton, Mrs. Martie Learned, Mrs. Edith Mitchell; Supper Com., Mrs. J. A. Dunning, Mrs. Peter Learned, Mrs. Elta Perkins, Mrs. Lizella Ford, Mrs. Flora Morton; Refreshment Com., Mrs. French, Mrs. Mina DeLong, Mrs. Carrie Morton, Mrs. Lillie Thurston; Collectors, Annie Akers, Mrs. Marian Lang, Ellen Akers, Mrs. Susie Poor; Candy Com., Mrs. Florence Learned, Mrs. Vio Miller, Mrs. Mattie Newton, Mrs. Edith Brooks; Visiting Com., Monday, Mrs. C. A. Rand; Tuesday, Mrs. Wirt Lovejoy; Wednesday, Mrs. F. E. Leslie; Thursday, Mrs. Y. A. Thurston; Friday, Mrs. John Caldwell; Saturday, Mrs. Fred French.

Mrs. George Learned is recovering from her recent illness.

Mrs. George Abbott has been quite ill.

Sylvanus Poor hauled a load of hay to Frye, Thursday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Talbot have returned to their home at Augusta.

A few days ago, four large black horses owned by M. L. Thurston & Son of Bethel were drowned in Aziscoos Lake. They were hauling logs on the lake when the ice suddenly gave way precipitating them into the water. Neither horses nor aids were again seen by the driver. The horses were valued at \$1500.

Miss Saunders, the grammar school teacher, was the guest of Miss Ethel Webber at No. 4, over Sunday.

The young people held their whist party last Thursday evening in their hall. Mrs. Frank McAllister and Ralph Hickey won the two first prizes, and Eva Shell and David Gilman the consolation prizes. Refreshments of sandwiches and coffee were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McAllister have returned to their home in Oxford.

Mrs. Hazel Pratt is staying with her mother, Mrs. Minnie Akers.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club were very pleasantly entertained Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rand on Main street. Four tables were used and the first prizes were won by Mr. Frank Thomas and Clayton Hewitt. Charles Ripley and Mrs. Rand won the consolation prizes. Refreshments were served.

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POEMS WORTH READING

TO THE CAPTAIN

By William Parker in the Christian Herald

Scared in my face, O Captain!
Begun with battle smoke;
The armor that once shone so bright
Is bruised by foe's hand stroke.

My eye is dimmed, O Captain!
My breath is feeble gasp;
Of my good sword the hilt alone
Remains within my grasp.

I've fought the fight, O Captain!
No laurels crown my brow;
Perchance I've won, perchance I've lost
Yet I salute thee now.

I crave no boon, O Captain,
Thy blessing give away;
And that my hand upon thine arm
May rest one breathing space.

Blind my wounds, O Captain!
Thy touch alone will heal;
Hence my armor, hatched and dimmed;
Restore my sword of steel.

Then, armed afresh, my Captain,
Thy blessing give away;
And send me forth to fight once more—
Once more thy work to do.

DOORS OF DEEDS

God's for the doors of deeds down here,
Not for the idlers who talk and plan.
Heaven rates as highest who do not
Fear

To set with the soul and the strength
Of a man.

More has been lost by just putting
Things off

Than ever men measured through all
The years;

Nothing is won by a "hem" and cough,
Nothing is conquered by doubt and tears.

Mistakes will happen, but it's often true
That unless they happened, with all
Their ill,

Nothing looks ever like going through,
And if they don't happen nothing
Will.

SOME MOTHER'S CHILD

By Francis L. Keeler

No matter how far from the right she
Hath strayed;

No matter what torments dishonor hath
Met;

No matter what elements cackled the
Pearl;

Through tarsh and scullied, she is
Some Mother's girl.

No matter how wayward his footsteps
Have been;

No matter how deep he is sunk in
Sin;

No matter how low is his standard of
Joy;

Though guilty and loathsome, he is
Some Mother's boy.

THE DAY'S RESULT

By A. H. H. in Detroit Free Press

Is anybody happier because you passed
his way?

Does anyone remember that you spoke
to him today?

This day is almost over and his telling
these is through,

Is there anyone to utter now a kindly
word of you?

Did you give a cheerful greeting to the
friend who came along,

Or a cheerful word of "hello" and
then vanish in the throng?

Were you selfish, pure and simple, as
you rushed along your way,

Or to someone might be grateful for a
kind word you did today?

One you met tonight in parting with the
day that's slipping fast

That you helped a single brother of the
money that you passed?

Is a single heart rejoicing over what
you did or said?

Does a man whose hope were fading
new with courage look ahead?

Did you waste the day or use it, was it
well or poorly spent?

Did you leave a trail of kindness or a
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THE BORDERS OF BRIGHTNESS

I think we live life in the loveliest way
When we border with brightness the
passing day,

Trimming its edges with brightness and
cheer,
Bringing God's heaven a little more
near,

Making earth more sweeter because we
have seemed
To believe in the gladness of which we
have dreamed:

A border of brightness,
And there you are—
Bringing love nearer
That seemed to be far.

Neighbor to neighbor and friend unto
friend,
Life has more meaning whenever we
wound

When someone is striving to lighten
our care
By weaving a border of brightness
somewhere

To deck the dull garment of laughter
and toil,
As the blooms of the summer make
brighter the soil:

A border of brightness

All of life answers
With red cheeks aglow.

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OUR TROUBLES

Our troubles come like storms, and like
storms they pass away,
With the sunshine sparkling round us
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They seem to threaten danger,
And the darkness brings us fear;
But we rise up in the morning
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We cringe before the tempest and we
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Our troubles flee like shadows
When we least expect them to,
And the storms have left the heavens
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The love that reaches patience gives us
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Take a bunch of from 50 to 75 peo-
ple and cooped up in a little river
town for two weeks, then put them on
a steamer for another two weeks, and
they are bound to "start something."

They are little less than school chil-
dren after all.

It was a 14-day trip from St. Mi-
chael to Seattle, and days before we
left the passengers began to speculate
on the possibilities of a bad storm in
the Bering Sea and of seasickness. And
it was a funny proposition. Every last
one of us dreaded a storm and hoped
for a smooth voyage, yet those who
dreaded it worst were loudest in declar-
ing we were sure to get it. They seem-
ed to be trying to bluff themselves—
trying to scare up their own courage
by scaring the other fellow.

The trip across the bay to Nome
was as smooth as a duck pond and in
the stay at that port the most of the
passengers began to fortify for the
long trip out in the open. Some fruit
eating, some laid in anti-nausea dopes,
some took liver pills and others Ep-
som's. Each according to his own idea.

As for myself I just didn't do any-
thing. I was passively and patiently
resigned. I knew I would be the first
to crawl into my berth and stay there
in the many trips on water I had
ever been the first to leave the deck
and the last to come back. If anyone
could be seasick I was anyone. So I
didn't dope, and when the heat pulled
out I was fully resigned—"let 'er
roll."

Just contrary to all predictions I
didn't roll. The Bering Sea was on her
best behavior and the croakers could
only alibi with—"Wait 'till we get
down near the Umanak pass and then
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day we steamed along, with very little
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er and denser, and when we neared the
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seen but fog, and one of the passen-
gers declared he could hear it.

The boat kept reducing its speed and
the fog whistles kept up a one-minute
din, night and day. Everybody was
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swered. I heard one officer tell another
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that we should be in the pass. That
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miles an hour.

The next morning there was a gen-
eral feeling of "uneasiness all over the
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This order was later countermanded.
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Mrs. Locke also wrote that her parents,
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Mrs. Nellie Brickett left here Wed-
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Horace Edwards, of the firm of Gold-
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Mildred Edgecomb of Harrison is a
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Charles Ripley, brakeman on the G.
T. R., is spending a few days with his
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Mr. and Mrs. William P. Morton and
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Harold Merrill, son of Mr. and Mrs.
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Mrs. Charles Churchill was in Lew-
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Frank E. Stevens was in town, Wed-
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Alton C. Wheeler has been appointed
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Carroll Gilling, son of Mr. and Mrs.
George Gilling of this place, who en-
listed in the 98th Aero Squadron and
is stationed at Kelly Field at South
Antonio, Texas, visited his people that
he likes the country and is enjoying
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PRUDENCE SAYS SO

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SYNOPSIS

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CHAPTER IX—Introducing "Jerry Junior" who by the apricot of fate is destined to go through life bearing the name of "Jerry Harmer." His arrival creates a stir in the former home of his mother, Prudence.

CHAPTER X—Prudence's quiet good-by to the parsonage and her entry into married life. Carol comes to the conclusion that the family is going to pieces, sure enough. The decision of Prudence that she would be married to a man who by her father gives her a shock. The marriage takes place.

His face was against hers, and his eyes were away from her, so Prudence did not see the moisture in his eyes when he said in a low voice:

"Yes, I know, Prudence. And I don't need to say what fine girls you are, and how proud I am of you. You know it already. But sometimes, he added slowly, "I wonder that I haven't been a bigger man, and haven't done finer work, with a household of girls like mine."

Her arm pressed more closely about his neck. "Father," she whispered, "don't say that. We think you are wonderfully splendid, just as you are. It isn't what you've said, not what you've done for us, it's just because you have always made us so sure of you. We never had to wonder about father, or ask ourselves—we were sure. We've always had you." She leaned over and kissed him again. "Now we understand each other, don't we?"

"I guess so. Anyhow, I understand that there'll only be three daughters in the parsonage pretty soon. All right, Prudence. I know you'll be happy." He paused a moment. "So will I."

But the months passed, and Prudence seemed content to stay quietly at home, embroidering as Prudence had done, laughing at the twins as they tripped away, riotously through college. And then in the early spring she sent an urgent note to Prudence.

"You must come home for a few days. Prudence, you and Jerry. It's just because I want you and I need you, and I know you won't go back on me. Just wire you are coming—the three of you. I know you'll be here, since it is I who ask it."

It followed naturally that Prudence's answer was satisfactory. "Of course we'll come."

Fairy's plans were very simple. "We'll have a nice family dinner Tuesday evening. We'll all be together, nice and cozy. Just one very little touch. Don't have a date, twice—of course. One will be here, but he's part of the family, and we don't want outsiders this time. His parents will be in town, and I've asked them to come up. I want a real family reunion just up. And it's my party, for I started it. So you must let me have it my way."

After the first confusion of welcoming Prudence home, and making fun of "daddy Jerry" and testing the weight and length of little Fairy, they all settled down to a parsonage home-rathering. Just a few minutes before the dinner hour, Fairy took her father's hand.

"Come into the limelight," she said softly. "I want you." He passed little Fairy over to the outstretched arms of the nearest auntie, and allowed himself to be led into the center of the room.

"Come," said Fairy, and he came to her quickly, holding out a slender roll of paper. "It's our license," said Fairy. "We think we'd like to be married now, father, if you will."

He looked at her questioningly, but understandingly. The girls clustered about them with eager curiosity, half protest, half encouragement.

"It's my day, you know," cried Fairy. "and this is my day."

He held out her hand, and she came to him very tenderly in his. Mr. Harmer had been married for a moment.

and then in the gentle voice that the parsonage girls insisted was his most valuable ministerial asset, he gave his second girl in marriage.

It surely was Fairy's way, plain and sweet, without formality. And the dinner that followed was just a happy family dinner. Fairy's face was so glowing with content, and Gene's attitude was so tender, and so ludicrously proud, that the twins at last were convinced that this was right, and all was well.

But that evening, when Gene's parents had gone away, and after Fairy and Gene themselves had taken the carriage to the station for their little vacation together, and Jerry and Prudence were putting little Fairy to bed, the three girls left in the home sat greatly in their bedroom and talked it over.

"We're thinking out," said Connie. "What next?"

"Well, stick around as long as we like, Miss Connie, you needn't try to shuffle us off," said Lark indignantly.

"Prudence, and Fairy—it was pretty cute of Fairy, wasn't it?"

"Let's go to bed," said Carol, rising. "I suppose we'll feel better in the morning. A good sleep is almost as filling as a big meal after a blow like this. Well, that's the end of Fairy. We have to make the best of us. Come on, Larkie. You're still got to go to bed, you know, so you needn't feel too forlorn. My, but the house is still! In some ways I think this family is positively skeletons. Good night, Connie. And, after this, when you want to eat candy in bed, please use your own. I don't like to see my foot last night. Good night, Connie. Well, it's the end of Fairy. The family is going to pieces, sure enough."

CHAPTER XI

Sowing Seeds.

"Have you seen Mrs. Harbert lately, Carol?"

"Yes, she's better, father. I was there a few minutes yesterday."

"Yesterday? You were there Tuesday, weren't you?"

Carol looked uncomfortable. "Well, yes, I was, just for a second."

"She tells me you've been running in nearly every day since she took sick," Carol bent sharply inquiring eyes upon her father. "What else did she tell you?"

"She said you were an angel."

"—yes—she seems somehow to think I do it for kindness."

"And don't you?"

"Why, no, father, of course I don't. It's only two blocks out of my way and it's such fun to pop in on sick folks and show them how disgustingly strong and well I am."

"Where did you get the money for that basket of fruit?"

"I borrowed it from Aunt Grace." Carol's face was crimson with mortification. "But it'll be a sweet time before Mrs. Harbert gets anything else from me. She promised she wouldn't tell."

"Did any of the others know about the fruit?"

"Why—not exactly."

"But she thinks it was from the whole family. She thanked me for it."

"I made her think that," Carol explained. "I want her to think we're the nearest parsonage bunch they've ever had in Mount Mark. Besides, it really was from the family. Aunt Grace loaned me the money and I'll have to borrow it from you to pay her. And Lark did my dusting so I could go on the errand, though she did not know what it was. And I—well, I accidentally took one of Connie's ribbons to tie it with. Isn't that a family gift?"

"Mr. Scott tells me you are the prime-mover in the Junior League now," he continued.

"Well, goodness knows our Junior League needs a mover of some sort."

"And Mrs. Davies says you are a whole merry and help department all by yourself."

"What I can't understand," said Carol mournfully, "is why folks don't keep their mouths shut. I know that sounds very innocent, but it expresses my idea perfectly. Can't I have a good time in my own way without the whole church peddling me from door to door?"

The twinkle in her father's eyes deepened. "What do you call it, Carol, sowing seeds of kindness?"

"I should say not," came the emphatic retort. "I call it sowing seeds of fun. It's a circus to go around and sowing seeds when they are sick or sorry, or—"

"That they tell me you don't savor it," Mrs. Harbert says you cried with Jessie half a day when her dog died."

"Oh, that's my way of grieving," said Carol, nothing daunted, but plainly to get away without further interrogation.

It was a strange thing that of all the parsonage girls, Carol, right-headed, whimsical, mischievous Carol, was the one most dear to the hearts of her father's people. Not the gentle Prudence, nor the cheerful Fairy, nor the clever Lark, nor the conscientious Connie, could the "naughty twin" in Mount Mark's affection. And in spite of her



He Finished Drowsily, and Fell Asleep.

ways flashed into the rocks. Then Carol, with angry eyes and scornful voice, berated him for trying to get hold of God's job, and cautioned him anew about "sticking in when it was not his affair any more." It took time, a long time, and hard work, and many many prayers went up from Carol's bedside, and from the library at the head of the stairs, but there came a time when Ben Peters let go for good and all, and turned to Carol, standing beside the bed with a sorry frightened eyes, and said quietly:

"It's all right, Carol. I've let go. You're a mighty nice little girl. I've let go for good this time. I'm just slipping along where he sends me—it's all right," he finished drowsily. And fell asleep.

CHAPTER XII.

The Connie Problem.

Mr. Starr was getting ready to go to conference, and the girls hovered about him with anxious eyes. This was their fifth conference since coming to Mount Mark—the time limit for Methodist ministers was five years. The Starrs, therefore, would be transferred, and where? Small wonder that the girls followed him around the house and spoke in soft voices and looked with tender eyes at the old parsonage and the wide lawn. They would be leaving next week. Already the curtains were down, and the books were boxed. Yes, they were leaving, but whither were they bound?

"Get your ecclesiastical dander up, father," Carol urged, "don't let them give us a church fight, or a twenty-thousand-dollar debt on a thousand-dollar congregation."

"We don't care for a big salary or a stylish congregation," Lark added, "but we don't want to go back to washpans and kerosene lamps again."

The conference was held in Fairhold, and he informed the girls casually that he would be home on the first train after the assignments were made. He said it casually, for he did not wish them to know how perturbed he was over the coming change. During the conference he tried in many and diverse ways to learn the will of the authorities regarding his future, but he found no clue. And at home the girls were discussing the matter very little, but thinking of nothing else. They were determined to be pleased about it.

Just the same, on Wednesday evening, the girls sat silent, with intensely flushed faces and painfully shining eyes, watching the clock, listening for the footstep. They had deliberately remained away from the station. They thought they could face it better with in the friendly walls of the parsonage. It was all settled now, father knew where they were going. Oh, why hadn't he wired? It must be terribly bad then, he evidently wanted to break it to them gently.

Maybe it was a circuit! There was the whole point! Only a few minutes now. Suppose his salary were cut down—good-by to silk stockings and silk gloves—cheap, but kid, just the same! Suppose the parsonage would be old-fashioned! Suppose there wasn't any parsonage at all, and they would have to pay rent! Suppose—Then the door opened.

Carol and Lark peeked at their darling, and Connie bent correctly over her magazine. Aunt Grace covered a yawn with her slender fingers and looked out of the window.

"Hello!"

"Why, hello, papa! Back already?" They dropped gazing and magazine and flew to welcome him home.

"Come and sit down!" "My, it seemed a long time!" "We had lots of fun, father." "Was it also conference?" "Mr. James sent us two bushels of potatoes!" "We're going to have chicken tomorrow—the Ladies' Aiders went off with their fatted calves!" "Yes! It's all settled!"

"Well, it's all settled!"

"Yes, we supposed it would be. Was the conference good? We read accounts of it every day, and acted stuck-up when it said nice things about you."

"We are to—"

"Just a minute, father," interrupted Connie anxiously. "We don't care a snap where it is, honestly we don't. We're just crazy about it, wherever it is. We're not it all settled. You needn't be afraid to tell us."

"Afraid to tell us!" mocked the twins indignantly. "What kind of slave-owners are you? What kind of slave-

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Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate	\$ 90,000.00
Mortgage Loans	1,544,400.00
Stocks and Bonds	4,601,454.00
Cash in Office and Bank	40,841.74
Agents' Balances	412,965.11
Interest and Rents	104,020.74
Gross Assets	\$7,158,813.61
Deduct items not admitted	32,229.37
Admitted Assets	\$7,126,584.24
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 122,761.80
Unearned Premiums	5,015,998.88
All other Liabilities	324,036.88
Cash Capital	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,663,794.96
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$7,126,584.24

AMERICAN SURETY CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK, N. Y.
Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate	\$9,180,047.91
Collateral Loans	4,607,801.00
Cash in Office and Bank	688,175.23
Agents' Balances	484,048.60
Interest and Rents	45,718.59
All other Assets	458,285.11
Gross Assets	\$10,178,984.04
Deduct items not admitted	102,953.26
Admitted Assets	\$10,076,030.78
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,046,147.69
Unearned Premiums	2,668,043.23
All other Liabilities	5,813,777.12
Cash Capital	5,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	707,338.74
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$10,076,030.78

EASTERN CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, BOSTON, MASS.
Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Stocks and Bonds	\$128,838.10
Cash in Office and Bank	18,344.66
Agents' Balances	8,813.77
Interest and Rents	1,719.57
Gross Assets	\$151,716.10
Deduct items not admitted	6,481.87
Admitted Assets	\$145,234.23
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 7,759.95
Unearned Premiums	2,874.78
All other Liabilities	4,073.57
Cash Capital	100,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	25,555.83
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$145,234.23

VERMONT MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO., MONTPELIER, VT.
Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate	\$50,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank	202,787.44
Agents' Balances	10,130.08
Bills Receivable	193,362.14
All other Assets	2,015.54
Gross Assets	\$458,285.11
Deduct items not admitted	150,330.86
Admitted Assets	\$307,954.25
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$13,004.75
Unearned Premiums	\$38,984.28
All other Liabilities	\$38,984.28
Cash Capital	\$25,555.83
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$25,555.83
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$458,285.11

LLOYDS PLATE GLASS INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK
Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate	\$276,000.00
Mortgage Loans	32,750.00
Stocks and Bonds	547,300.28
Cash in Office and Bank	28,812.03
Agents' Balances	117,794.91
Interest and Rents	6,510.89
All other Assets	6,510.89
Gross Assets	\$1,013,434.27
Deduct items not admitted	\$91,167.42
Admitted Assets	\$922,266.85
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 71,825.54
Unearned Premiums	320,925.77
All other Liabilities	77,485.29
Cash Capital	\$50,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$13,004.75
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$922,266.85

PENNSYLVANIA LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO. 305 LAFAYETTE BUILDING, PHILA. DELAWARE, PA.
Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Mortgage Loans	\$122,500.00
Stocks and Bonds	725,230.50
Cash in Office and Bank	\$1,977.71
Agents' Balances	32,324.02
Interest and Rents	12,800.00
All other Assets	7,618.55
Gross Assets	\$1,005,440.78
Deduct items not admitted	26,413.75
Admitted Assets	\$979,027.03
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 21,128.34
Unearned Premiums	\$98,564.90
All other Liabilities	\$10,444.40
Cash Capital	\$60,744.40
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$60,744.40
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$979,027.03

THE CENTRAL MFRS. MUT. INS. CO., VAN WERT, OHIO
Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate	\$40,000.00
Mortgage Loans	121,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	\$71,740.00
Cash in Office and Bank	\$6,204.12
Agents' Balances	\$41,041.72
Interest and Rents	\$7,500.00
Gross Assets	\$31,000.00
Deduct items not admitted	\$1,000.00
Admitted Assets	\$30,000.00
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 51,418.12
Unearned Premiums	\$3,000.00
All other Liabilities	\$2,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$4,581.88
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$30,000.00

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GRANGE NEWS

FRANKLIN GRANGE
Franklin Grange held its meeting, Saturday P. M., Feb. 2. Worthy Master D. O. Dudley presided. After the business was the third and fourth degrees conferred on one candidate. The vote to send the Lecturer, Mr. K. Dudley, to the Lecturer's conference at Augusta. Sister Ed was reported as recovering from her recent illness. Her daughter, Lena Felt, sent a letter of the Grange for the past card given to her mother. Sixty-five were sent. There was a large attendance at this meeting for which the officers were very grateful.

CANTON GRANGE

On account of the storm the meeting at Canton Grange, Saturday, was as large as usual. One candidate received the final degrees. A recitation in the afternoon, when Wadlin, who has been chosen of the Thrift Stamp campaign, district, gave a good talk on the need and urged the cooperation of the Grange in the work. The Worthy appointed the following committee for a month's campaign: O. M. Anderson, John Briggs, Miss Florence Childs and Mrs. Helen A. E. Cantor; John Tripp and Donald, Canton Point; C. E. Mendon, Clare Ludden, Hartford; Fred and Mr. and Mrs. John Bowles, more; Chas. W. Walker, on the road.

The Worthy Lecturer presented the following program: Music; a recitation; paper, "Some of the things to the Great Men of our country"; singing, "Old Grange"; reading, Miss Elva Fuller, "Some of the Unseen of War time," Mrs. M. J. Childs; due, Mrs. E. E. Westgate, Mrs. V. Mitchell, Jr. A good talk on "Legislative Problems," closed the program. The next meeting will be Grange anniversary day.

ROUND MOUNTAIN GRANGE

Round Mountain Grange invited Waterford Grange to visit and them install their officers, Feb. 2. Officers installed by W. B. Cummings assisted by Mrs. Guy Morse and followed:

Master—Isaac Wardwell.
Overseer—J. A. Kimball.
Chaplain—Mrs. A. A. Bruce.
Lecturer—Alta Cummings.
Secretary—Allen Cummings.
Steward—Cecil Kimball.
Asst. Steward—Charles Morey.
L. A. Steward—Edith Cummings.
Treasurer—Mrs. Isaac Wardwell.
Pamona—Mrs. Irving Beckler.
Flora—Mrs. Lilla Stearns.
Gate Keeper—Irving Morey.
After the officers were installed, following program was given:
Vocal Duets, Mrs. F. H. and Miss A. Wardwell.
Current Events, A. A. Bruce, Mrs. F. Wardwell, W. B. Cummings.
Recitation, Kenneth Steele.
Vocal Solo, Annie Wardwell.
Questions, Mrs. Lilla Stearns, L. Cummings.
Reading, Mrs. Rilla Morey.
Discussion, "How can we as farmers all the fuel shortage?" Opened Allen Cummings, followed by B. Geo. Cummings, J. A. Kimball, E. C. N. Ellopoulos of North Waterford gave an interesting talk on the subject.

Remarks, Bert Flint, Guy Morse, Labroke, Fletcher Dean and other thanking B. M. G. for the pleasant day spent with them.
Closing Song, As We Go Forth to I-ber.

WEST PARIS GRANGE

West Paris Grange held an interesting meeting Saturday, Feb. 2. There was a good attendance, and all the officers were present but three. The finance committee was appointed from the chair for this year: Chairman, J. J. Abbott, Mrs. B. T. White, C. H. Stearns.

A general discussion was held about the Grange furnishing an entertainment for the benefit of the Red Cross. The following entertainment committee was appointed by the Worthy Lecturer: Mrs. D. A. Grover, Mrs. Ellen Hammon, Mrs. B. T. White, Mrs. F. L. Wyman, Mrs. Hilker Mann, Miss Laura Bardeen, Mrs. D. A. Grover, Mr. Harold Perham.

The Grange is to apply for a Traveling Library. The Lecturer furnished an interesting program: Question, Is it the best interest of all, that the same water powers be taken over by the State? Discussion opened by Mrs. F. Wyman, after which Brothers Abbott and Tuell responded; Reading, The

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